House File 2321

AN ACT

RELATING TO PROVIDING VETERAN SERVICES TO INMATES INCARCERATED IN A JAIL OR MUNICIPAL HOLDING FACILITY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 356.6A Duty to inform about veteran services.

- 1. The personnel of a jail or municipal holding facility shall inquire whether the prisoner is a veteran, and if so, shall inform the prisoner, within twenty-four hours of incarceration, that the prisoner may be entitled to a visit from a veteran service officer to determine if veteran services are required or available. Within seventy-two hours of determining a prisoner is a veteran, the personnel of a jail or municipal holding facility shall provide the prisoner with the contact information for the county commission of veteran affairs of the county where the jail or facility is located, and the prisoner shall be allowed to contact the county commission of veteran service officer.
 - 2. As used in this section, "veteran" means a person who was

a member of the regular component of the armed forces of the United States, national guard, or reserves.

PATRICK J. MURPHY
Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2321, Eighty-third General Assembly.

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Approved ______, 2010

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